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Thank you, this will make some interesting reading! Hopefully the review will take the time to understand all the reasoning.

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> On Apr 24, 2017, at 7:56 PM, Staszak, Cynthia <cstaszak@blm.gov> wrote:

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> Chris:

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> We have been working with our Regional Solicitor and compiling much GSENM

> Proclamation historical documentation for our work on the Grazing DEIS.

> This information provides excellent historical background materials

> related to monument objects and the establishment of GSENM boundaries.

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> \*1. WCPD-1996-09-23-PG1785-2:\* President Clinton's remarks at the

> designation of GSENM

> \*2. WCPD-1996-09-23-Pg 1788\*: GSENM Proclamation

> \*3. 8-15-96\_Memo Secretary Babbit to President\* on establishment of GSENM

> and exhibits A-F including B: List of Historic and Scientific Objects in

> the Area and C: Bibliography of Principal Sources of Information.

> \*4. 11-6-98 Memo: Memo from Secretary of Interior to BLM Director\* on

> Management of GSENM including bibliography of GSENM resources

> \*5. 2004-04-19 Opinion & Order US District Court-Utah Central Divisio\*n,

> affirming establishment of GSENM and rejecting claims that the president

> overstepped his bounds and failed to limit the size of the monument.

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> As you will find from reviewing the documents, an extensive list of

> historic and scientific objects was developed, along with a detailed

> bibliography of the principal sources of information used to create the

> list of objects.

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> The Secretarial Memo to the President provides the discussion of why the

> area proposed for GSENM was "carefully delineated, based on review of the

> available information, to meet the goals of effectively caring for and

> managing the objects in perpetuity." The memo goes on to explain that

> some of the objects are present throughout the entire monument, others are

> scattered within it or lie along the borders, many objects overlap. "Thus

> the entire area is necessary for protection of the objects. Even if it

> were possible to reserve a smaller area by isolating certain objects, such

> a fragmentation of the proposed monument would endanger many of the

> objects, undermine the purposes of the monument itself and create

> substantial impediments to effective management of the monument."

> "Preservation of such objects (the biologic and archaeologic resources

> are examples) requires, among other things, protection of land surrounding

> them in order to maintain the relatively remote conditions that have made

> their continued existence possible. Furthermore, the scientific value of

> many of the objects within the monument requires preservation of areas

> large enough to maintain the objects and their interactions."

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> Finally, when the creation of GSENM and its' size was litigated, U.S.  
> District Judge Dee Benson dismissed the 1997 lawsuit. His 47 page ruling  
> is attached.  
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> to Edwin, Gary, Anita  
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> Attached below are 4 documents, that help clarify/detail the objects in the  
> GSENM proclamation and the reasons for the boundaries as established. They  
> include: The Proclamation, The President's speech given when issuing the  
> Proclamation, the Memo from the Secretary to BLM Director on Management of  
> GSENM (11-6-96) which includes a bibliography of monument resources that  
> was completed in connection with the Proclamation, and a Memo from the  
> Secretary to the President ( 8-15-1996).  
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> Here is the President's speech and proclamation, from volume 32 of the \*Weekly  
> Compilation of Presidential Documents, \*in two parts. Feel free to  
> distribute as appropriate. Let me try to find you a clean copy of the

- > Secretary's memo to the President.
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